

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

4 A dental prosthesis is made by first forming a model of a patient's
5 dentition. A three dimensional digital data corresponding to the
6 surfaces of the model is then created. Based on this data, a three
7 dimensional digital data file is then created substantially corresponding
8 to the dental prosthesis to be manufactured. The three dimensional
9 digital data of the dental prosthesis to be manufactured is next
10 transmitted to automated prototyping equipment, and using the
11 automated prototyping equipment, a wax pattern of the dental
12 prosthesis is manufactured based upon this three dimensional digital
13 data of the dental prosthesis. Finally, using this wax pattern in the lost
14 wax investment casting process, the dental prosthesis is made. Prior to
15 investment casting, marginal edges of the wax pattern are adjusted
16 manually.